WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A composition comprising a cationic copolymer with molecular weight in the range of 30,000 to 300,000 and a high molecular weight alcohol.

2. A composition according to claim 1, wherein the high molecular weight alcohol is at least one C_{20}-C_{40} alcohol.

3. A composition according to claim 2, wherein the at least one high molecular weight C_{20}-C_{40} alcohol is linear, branched or mono- or polycyclic, or a mixture thereof.

4. A composition according to claim 1, wherein the high molecular weight alcohol is lanolin alcohol.

5. A composition according to claim 1, wherein the cationic copolymer comprises a copolymer which is the reaction product of from 25 to 90 % by weight of nonionic monomer units and from 10 to 75 % by weight of cationic monomer units.

6. A composition according to claim 5, wherein the nonionic monomer units are selected from the group consisting of unsaturated N-substituted amides, (meth)acrylates having mono- or multi hydroxy functional group(s), and acrylamide and its derivatives.

7. A composition according to claim 5, wherein the cationic monomer units are selected from the group consisting of diallyl dialkyl ammonium halides, dialkyl aminoalkyl (meth)acrylamides, dialkyl aminoalkyl (meth)acrylates, and acid addition and quaternary ammonium salts thereof.

8. A composition according to claim 5, wherein the copolymer comprises the reaction product of from 70 to 80% by weight of acrylamide nonionic monomer units and 20 to 30% by weight of diallyl dimethyl ammonium chloride cationic monomer units.

9. A composition according to claim 5, wherein the copolymer has a molecular weight of from about 40,000 to 250,000.

10. A composition according to claim 1, wherein the mixture of the cationic copolymer and the high molecular weight alcohol is present in an emulsion.

11. A composition according to claim 10, which is an oil-in-water emulsion.

12. A composition according to claim 10, which is a cosmetic eye-care composition.

13. A composition according to claim 12, which is a mascara or eyeliner.

14. A cosmetic eye-care composition according to claim 12, which comprises additional ingredients selected from the group consisting of water-soluble, film-forming polymers other than cationic copolymers with a molecular weight in the range of 30,000 to 300,000, waxes, fats, oils, pigments, dyes, gums, resins, inorganic and organic materials, fillers, thickeners, gelling agents, and mixtures thereof.

15. A composition according to claim 14, in which the water-soluble, film-forming polymers comprise from about 2% to about 25% by weight of the composition, with the proviso that from about 10% to 100% by weight of the film-forming polymers is a cationic copolymer with a molecular weight in the range of 30,000 to 300,000.

16. A composition according to claim 14, in which the water-soluble, film-forming polymers other than cationic copolymers with a molecular weight in the range of 30,000 to 300,000 are selected from the group consisting of cellulose derivatives and synthetic polymers.

17. A composition according to claim 16, in which the cellulose derivatives are selected from the group consisting of hydroxyethylcellulose, hydroxypropylcellulose, hydroxypropryl methylcellulose and mixtures thereof.

18. A composition according to claim 16, in which the synthetic polymers are selected from the group consisting of polyvinylpyrrolidone, quaternized polyvinylpyrrolidone and high molecular weight cationic copolymers.

19. A composition according to claim 16, in which the synthetic polymer is a copolymer of diallyl dimethyl ammonium chloride with acrylamide.

20. A cosmetic eye-care composition according to claim 14, which is an oil-in-water emulsion comprising by weight:
from about 2% to about 25% of a water-soluble, film-forming polymer, with the proviso that from about 10% to 100% of the film-forming polymer is a cationic copolymer with a molecular weight in the range of 30,000 to 300,000;
from about 0.1% to about 10% of at least one C_{20}-C_{40} alcohol;
from about 5% to about 30% of a wax;
from about 0.1% to about 10% of a fat, and
from about 3% to about 20% of at least one pigment.

21. A method of improving the properties of a cosmetic eye-care composition, which comprises incorporating a composition according to claim 1 therein.